

## UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

APPLICANT:	Fors et al.	GROUP ART UNIT:	2439
APPLN. NO.:	10/739,354	EXAMINER:	Jackson, Jenise E
FILED:	December 18, 2003	Confirmation No.:	9648
TITLE:	Upper Layer Security Based on Lower Layer Keying		

**REPLY TO OFFICE ACTION**

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Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This communication is responsive to the Office Action mailed July 23, 2009 concerning the above-identified application and is timely filed within the three month shortened statutory period for a response. This reply is provided in response to the Office Action in accordance with 37 CFR § 1.111. Applicant submits the following remarks and respectfully requests the Examiner to reconsider the rejections made in the Office Action and to allow the claims to issue.

A copy of the **Pending Claims** begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 8 of this paper.